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Reader's Guide

This Comment Response Document (CRD) for the *Final Environmental Impact Statement for Decommissioning and/or Long-Term Stewardship at the West Valley Demonstration Project and Western New York Nuclear Service Center* consists of four sections:

- Chapter 1 – Overview of the Public Comment Process

This section describes the public comment process for the Revised Draft EIS; the format used in the public hearings on the Revised Draft EIS; the organization of this CRD and how to use the document; and the changes made by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) to the Final EIS in response to the public comments and developments that have occurred since publication of the Revised Draft EIS.

- Chapter 2 – Major Issues

This section presents summaries of the major issues identified from the public comments received on the Revised Draft EIS and the DOE and NYSERDA response to each issue.

- Chapter 3 – Public Comments and the DOE and NYSERDA Responses

This section presents a side-by-side display of the comments received by DOE and NYSERDA during the public comment period and the DOE and NYSERDA response to each comment. The comments were obtained at four public hearings on the Revised Draft EIS and by fax, electronic mail, Website, and U.S. mail. Each comment document was assigned a sequential log number as it was received. When the same comment document was submitted by many individuals, it was designated as a campaign. The campaigns were grouped together for the purpose of responding to comments. This section also contains index tables of public officials, organizations, and individuals that commented on the Revised Draft EIS.

- Chapter 4 – References

This section contains the references cited in this CRD.

To Find a Specific Comment and the DOE and NYSERDA Response

Refer to the “List of Commentors” immediately following the Table of Contents. This list is organized alphabetically by commentor name and shows the corresponding page number(s) where commentors can find their comment(s). Public officials, organizations, and interest groups appear first on the list, followed by individuals. City and state government bodies are listed under “City of ” or State of.” Members of Congress are listed alphabetically under “Members of Congress.” A separate table listing public officials and the page(s) where their comments and associated DOE and NYSERDA responses appear are also provided in Section 3 of this CRD.

DOE and NYSERDA have made a good faith effort to interpret the spelling of names that were either handwritten on comment forms and letters, or transcribed from oral statements made during public hearings.

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ALARA	as low as is reasonably achievable
CDDL	Construction and Demolition Debris Landfill
CEQ	Council on Environmental Quality
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
CFR	<i>Code of Federal Regulations</i>
CMS	Corrective Measures Study
CRD	Comment Response Document
DCGL	Derived Concentration Guideline Levels
DOE	U.S. Department of Energy
EA	Environmental Assessment
EIS	environmental impact statement
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
FR	<i>Federal Register</i>
IDA	intentional destruction acts
LCF	latent cancer fatality
NDA	NRC-Licensed Disposal Area
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NRC	U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
NYCRR	New York Code of Rules and Regulations
NYSDEC	New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
NYSDOH	New York State Department of Health
NYSDOT	New York State Department of Transportation
NYSERDA	New York State Energy Research and Development Authority
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
QRA	Quantitative Risk Assessment
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
rem	roentgen equivalent man
RFI	RCRA Facility Investigation
ROD	Record of Decision
SDA	State-Licensed Disposal Area
SEQR	State Environmental Quality Review Act
SPDES	State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
SWMU	Solid Waste Management Unit
TEDE	total effective dose equivalent
USFWS	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
WMA	Waste Management Area
WNYNSC	Western New York Nuclear Service Center
WVDP	West Valley Demonstration Project